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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)

SUBJECT: STAFFDEL ROUSSEAU

1. FOLLOWING IS TEXT JAKARTA 15477; ROUSSEAU IS SENATOR PEARSON'S FOREIGN AFFAIRS STAFFER.

2. BEGIN TEXT: DURING STAFFDEL ROUSSEAU'S DISCUSSION WITH MOHAMMED SABIR OF THE AMERICAN DIRECTORATE, DEPT OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, IN JAKARTA NOV 23, SUBJECT OF INDONESIA'S PROBLEMS WITH EAST TIMOR WAS MENTIONED. SABIR STARTLED ROUSSEAU AND ACCOMPANYING EMBOFF BY REMARKING THAT US HAD TOLD GOI THAT IF IT HAD TO TAKE TIMOR IT SHOULD "GO AHEAD, BUT DO IT QUICKLY." WHEN ROUSSEAU ASKED IF THAT WAS A US EMBASSY POSITION, SABIR SAID THE "DO IT QUICKLY" REMARK HAD BEEN MADE BY SECRETARY KISSINGER TO GOI OFFICIALS DURING THE VISIT OF PRESIDENT FORD IN DECEMBER 1975. END TEXT. ROBINSON

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